



Lamoine Consolidated School

May 5, 2006

DENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

As part of our Dental Health Program there will be a dental screening offered to students in grades 2 and 3. It is free of charge and will be done on Friday May 12th by Lorraine Klug, RDH of Dental Associates. Permission slips will be sent home next week. Parents will receive a report of the results of the screening. Our School Nurse Jackie Grohoski will be assisting.

BASEBALL / SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Wednesday, May 3rd – Lamoine @ Trenton
Tuesday, May 9th – Beech Hill @ Lamoine
Thursday, May 11th – Lamoine @ Surry
Monday, May 15th – Hancock @ Lamoine
Wednesday, May 17th – Cave Hill @ Lamoine
Monday, May 22nd – Trenton @ Lamoine
Wednesday, May 24th – Lamoine at Beech Hill
Tuesday, May 30th – Quarter-Finals
Thursday, June 1st – Semi-Finals
Wednesday, June 7th – Championship Game

DRESS CODE

Every year about this time, as the weather turns warmer, we start to see student dress that goes beyond the limits of our dress code. One of the provisions of the student dress code says, “that unacceptable attire includes not only clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco or other drugs but dress that is immodest or revealing that distracts from the educational process.” Parental awareness of the clothing students are wearing will be helpful. Shorts need to be at least fingertip length. **NO belly shirts or short shorts!**

8th GRADE AUCTION

The 8th grade auction will be on Saturday, May 6th at the Lamoine Consolidated School. Preview starts at 9:00 a.m. and the auction begins at 10:00 a.m. Please come support the 8th grade class. Concessions will be available during the auction.

GRADES 5 - 8 CONCERT

The concert for grades 5 – 8 is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 25th.

8TH GRADE GRADUATION

The Lamoine 8th grade graduation is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13th at 6:00 p.m.

SPRING SPORTS AWARDS

Awards Night will be on Monday, June 12 at 5:00 pm. This is for the baseball and softball teams and grades 5, 6 & 7 citizenship and academic awards.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of school will be Thursday, June 15th.

PET PHOTO CONTEST

“Our Treasured” Friends contest has been a great success for Jina’s Gym. There were 102 photos entered! Photos are displayed on the bulletin board in the front hallway of the school. The students will choose the winners on May 5th. Prizes will be given to the winners of Best of Show, Best Dog, Best Cat, Silliest, Most Unusual, and Best Animal Buddies. Winning photos will be on display next week.

LITTER CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, May 13 will be the 3rd annual Litter Clean Up Day in Lamoine. Volunteers will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the town office and be assigned to various stretches of roads throughout the town. Clean up will be from 8:30 to 11 a.m., rain or shine. It is recommended that volunteers wear boots and brightly colored clothing and bring work gloves. Garbage bags, thin plastic glove liners, orange safety vests and drinking water will be provided. Volunteers may want to wear a backpack to carry water and extra garbage bags. All ages are welcome. Families with younger children can help cleanup the parks and beaches. Any questions can be directed to the Lamoine town office at 667-2242.

6th, 7th & 8th GRADE DRAMA

6th, 7th, 8th graders interested in drama?

Acting? Tech? Music? Backstage work?

Come to a brief meeting on Wednesday, May 10th, in the Library during free period 11:30-noon. Bring your questions. Carol Korty will again direct Lamoine

Middle School students in a play to perform at the Grange Hall, Saturday, July 8th. The script we pick will depend on how many people wish to be involved and are able to commit to the rehearsal schedule. You'll receive a handout with information to take home and discuss with your parents before making a commitment to the project.

"TASTES OF LAMOINE" COOKBOOKS

The "Tastes of Lamoine" cookbooks are in and they look AWESOME! Cookbooks are available for purchase in the office at school during the school day. Cost is \$8.00 per book. Purchase extras, these will make great gifts!!

PEEWEE CHEERING CAMP

Cori-Lynn will be holding PeeWee Cheering Camp August 16-19. Session I is for grades 3-4 and will be from 8:30 – 10:45 a.m. Aug. 16 – 18. Session II is for K – 2 from 11:00 – 12:30 a.m. Aug 16 – 18. On August 19th parents are invited to the performance for both Sessions I & II starting 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$40 which includes a camp t-shirt. To register call Cori-Lynn at 460-0010. Proceeds go to Lamoine Cheering and Jina's Gym.

JINA'S GYM BENEFIT DANCE

Jina's Gym Benefit Dance will be held on Saturday, May 20th at the Elks Lodge – Ellsworth from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. **Tickets are available at the Lamoine Consolidated School office.** Please call Linda Eaton at 667-3413 or email her at lkaryl@verizon.net or Enid Neleski at 667-8824 if you can help in any way.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

What happens when the middle school student is ready to move on to his/her freshman year in high school? From the school's organization, curriculum, and teachers- to the needs and interests of the middle level student- a transition period is about to begin. On the road to success, the student encounters the 'highs' and 'lows' of middle school life.

The middle school years are unique and students go through different development stages before moving to high school. Young adolescents today frequently have a difficult time making the transition to high school (Mizelle and Irvin, 2000).

Now one might ask, what could be so difficult for these young adolescents? Could it be that they have to learn new class schedules, memorize their new locker combinations, or have to deal with an entirely new school building? All of the previous developmental changes that middle level students go through take a back seat as s/he gets ready to leave for high school. As the transition process unfolds, the student will generally experience an impersonal, more competitive, and grade-oriented environment than experienced in middle school. Different teachers, new friends, the choice of new curricular and extra curricular activities will become the norm.

Michael Adrete, who teaches at Mattanawcook Academy in Lincoln, Maine, recently conducted a survey of his 8th graders asking them to list concerns about entering high school. The top ten are:

1. Having more privileges.
2. More responsibilities and freedom of choice.
3. Having to pay more attention to homework.
4. Being able to show feelings towards someone.
5. Preparing for college.
6. Wasn't prepared well for knowing how to study.
7. Having to learn a new schedule of classes.
8. Worried about what upper classmen think.
9. Making a good first impression.
10. Having to learn to organize time better.

During this transition period, students will be both excited and concerned about high school. Once the move has been made, there will be more freedoms, more choices, new friends, and being able to participate in more extra-curricular offerings.

Here at Lamoine School, we always worry and wonder how our 8th graders will do as they move into high school. I try to keep track of them as they progress through the four years of high school. Over the course of the past few years, I have been pleased to hear that our kids are achieving at nice levels as well as taking advantage of and participating in the extra curricular programs. Below is a list of our seniors, who are soon to be graduating and moving on to the next challenge in their lives. We wish them well!

Seniors:

Dylan Brann	Emily Frederick	Daniel Hadley
Paul Mitchell	Jeremy Curran	Sarah Fennelly
Chase Harding	Samantha Steinmetz	
Katelyn Damon	Justin Fickett	Josh Jones
Gena Walker	Kirsten Dickey	Elan Gabel-
Richards	Matthew Jordan	Kelly Wilder
Eamon Duffy	Megan Glass	Jessica Kief

